FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>DIETRICH MARTIN A</u> | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NBT BANCORP INC [NBTB] 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|--|----------------------------|-------------------------------|--------|--|---|---------|-------------|---|------------------|---|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 52 SOUTH BROAD STREET | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/15/2016 X Officer (give title below) below) President & CEO NBT Bancorp | | | | | | | | | | |)` | | | | |
| (Street) | CH N | Y | 13815 | | 4. I | f Ame | ndmen | t, Date | e of C | Origina | l File | d (Month/Da | ay/Year) | | 6. Inc Line) X | Form f | iled by On | e Repo | (Check A orting Pers | son | |
| (City) | (S | tate) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | Persor | | ne trial | TOTIC TROP | orung | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 3. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of | Security (Ins | tr. 3) | | 2. Transa Date (Month/E | | r) Ex | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acqui Disposed Of (D) (Ir 5) | | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | | | | | - 1 | Code V | | Amount | (A) or (D) | Pric | e | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (| |
| | | ommon Stock | | 01/15 | 5/2016 | | | | | F | | 8,456 | D | \$2 | 5.11 | 139,81 | 18.569 | | D | | |
| | | ommon Stock | | 01/15 | | _ | | | | F | | 1,692 | D | + | 5.11 | 138,12 | | | D | | |
| | | ommon Stock | | 01/15 | | _ | | | | F | | 700 | D | - | 5.11 | 137,42 | | | D | | |
| | | ommon Stock | | | | 2016 | | | | F | | 1,470 | D | - | 5.11 | | 56.569 | | D | | |
| | | ommon Stock | | 01/15 | 0/2016 | 2016 | | | | F | | 1,429 | D | \$2 | 5.11 | | 7.569 D | | | 4041 | |
| NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 18,94 | 5.912 | | I | 401k Custodian | |
| NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 75 | 55 | | I | for Minor | |
| NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 10,731.723 | | | I | NBT Bancorp ESOP | | |
| | | | | | | tive Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (e.g., 1. Title of 2. 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed | | | | | | | | | | ts, options, convertible securitie | | | | | - | | 9. Numbe | er of | 10. | 11. Nature | |
| Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Harisaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution if any (Month/Da | Date, | Transa | ransaction code (Instr. | | n of E | | Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | r) Underlying Derivative Se (Instr. 3 and 4 | | ies g Secur | | Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | derivativ Securitie Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transact (Instr. 4) | e s ally g | Ownersh Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. | ip of Indirect Beneficial Ownership tt (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exe | e ercisab | | Expiration Date | Title | Amor or Numl of Share | oer | | | | | | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$20.19 | | | | | | | | 01/1 | 15/201 1 | 1 ⁽¹⁾ | 01/15/2020 | NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 25,0 | 00 | | 25,00 | 00 | D | | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$20.3617 | | | | | | | | 01/1 | 15/2009 | 9 ⁽²⁾ | 01/15/2018 | NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 25,0 | 00 | | 25,00 | 00 | D | | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$25.15 | | | | | | | | 10/2 | 29/2016 | 5(3) | 10/29/2024 | NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 20,5 | 75 | | 20,57 | 75 | D | | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$25.36 | | | | | | | | 10/2 | 29/2016 | 5 ⁽³⁾ | 10/29/2024 | NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 1,10 | 66 | | 1,16 | 6 | D | | |

| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|--|---|-----------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|---|--------|---|--|--|--|
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye | e | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | v | V (A) (D) Exercisable Expiration | | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$25.38 | | | | | | | 01/15/2010 ⁽¹⁾ | 01/15/2019 | NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 25,000 | | 25,000 | D | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$25.762 | | | | | | | 01/01/2008 ⁽²⁾ | 01/01/2017 | NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 28,000 | | 28,000 | D | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$26.67 | | | | | | | 09/14/2017 ⁽³⁾ | 09/14/2025 | NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 13,641 | | 13,641 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Pursuant to NBT Bancorp Inc. Omnibus Stock Option Agreement the grant vests 40% for first year, 20% annually for following years.
- 2. Pursuant to NBT Bancorp Inc. 1993 Stock Option Plan grant vests 40% for first year, 20% annually for following years.
- 3. Pursuant to NBT Bancorp Inc. 1993 Stock Option Plan reload grant vests 100% two years after date of its grant.

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01/19/2016

** Signature of Reporting Person Dat

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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